Thursday, September 27, 2007

Neighborhood Housing and Community Development RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 21

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with NUCO CONTRACTING, L.P. (WBE), Del Valle, Texas for Holly Good Neighbor Program residential foundation repair for six homes in an amount not to exceed \$90,900.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Holly Good Neighbor Program administered by the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required

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MBE/WBE: No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

The Holly Good Neighbor program provides repairs and rehabilitation to properties closest to the Holly Power Plant. Austin Energy funds the program, administered by Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office (NHCD), and facilitated by the Austin Housing Finance Corporation. Some examples of home repairs include: exterior paint, roofing, electrical system repair, plumbing, foundation work, HVAC system, and other interior and exterior repairs. The applications for these six sites were received prior to the implementation of revised program guidelines that include income limitation requirements and new loan repayment conditions. The work to be performed under this contract will be a grant to the homeowners.

The purpose of this request is to authorize execution of a construction contract with NUCO CONTRACTING, L.P., for the repair and rehabilitation of six home foundations at the following addresses in Austin, Texas: 2114 Willow, 2112 Willow, 2110 Willow, 2315 Willow, 2610 Willow; and 2609 Canterbury.

The repairs at each of the above referenced sites will consist of the replacement of piers, damaged beams, leveling and stabilization of the house foundation. Additional work to be performed will be the removal and hauling away of foundation skirting (underpinning) and replacement with stucco or fiber reinforced concrete board per the homeowner's selection. The successful completion of this repair work will enhance the habitability of the homes.

The contract allows 150 Calendar days for completion of this project.

Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Holly Good Neighbor Program administered by the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department.

Solicitation was advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet. Bid documents were distributed to three general contractors.

Bids were opened on August 23, 2007. NUCO CONTRACTING, L.P. submitted the lower of two bids received:

Nuco Contracting, L.P., Del Valle, Texas (WBE) \$ 90,900.00 RIATA Enterprises, Manchaca, Texas \$ 142,870.00

Approval Justification:

- Lowest cumulative bid for all six home sites.
- Neighborhood Housing and Community Development concurs with the recommended award.
- Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.